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# NEWS

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### GRIZZLY STATISTICS EVENLY DIVIDED AFTER GRIZZLIES COP SEASON OPENER

MISSOULA---

Unheralded senior fullback Rick Strauss made his first collegiate try at the position a good one as he rushed for 66 yards on 9 carries, a 7.3-yard average, to lead University of Montana rushing statistics following one game.

Strauss shared the running duties with four other Grizzly running backs during Montana's 37-10 shellacking of the University of North Dakota in Billings Saturday night.

Trailing Strauss in the rushing department are sophomore tailback John McBurrows with 37 yards on 12 carries; junior fullback Tony Gabriel with 35 yards on 9 tries, and junior tailback Mike Buzzard with 33 yards on 12 carries.

Pete Mullins finished the contest with a 50 per cent completion average from the quarterback spot, hitting on 5 of 10 for 83 yards. He had one intercepted.

Al Luis, a junior split end, caught three of the five successful Grizzly aerials for 35 yards. Ron Baines, whose punt and kickoff returns dazzled the crowd of 7,000 and broke the game wide open for Montana, caught one for 29 yards. Tight end Jim Kelly hauled in one of 19 yards to set up a Grizzly touchdown.

Baines scored twice on punt returns of 77 and 45 yards, and set up another score with a 61-yard kickoff return. On four punt returns, he rolled up 119 yards.

Lon Howard, an offensive guard, made a successful debut as Montana's punter, booting six times for an average of 40 yards per kick. His longest punt travelled 47 yards.

Place kicker Dan Worrell is second behind Baines in scoring with seven points on four extra points and a 30-yard field goal. Baines has 12 points.

Montana's next opponent will be the University of South Dakota in Vermillion Saturday night. Game time is 6:30 p.m. MDT.



1968 UNIVERSITY OF MONTANA FOOTBALL STATISTICS  
(One Game)

Record: 1-0. \*Big Sky Record: 0-0  
UM 37, N. Dakota 10

	UM	OPP
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	13	13
First downs rushing	8	4
First downs passing	4	5
First downs by penalties	1	4
TOTAL PLAYS RUSHING	50	44
TOTAL YARDS RUSHING	202	118
Yards lost rushing	20	33
NET YARDS RUSHING	182	85
Passes attempted	12	31
Passes completed	5	14
Passes had intercepted	1	0
NET YARDS PASSING	83	126
TOTAL PLAYS OFFENSE	62	75
TOTAL YARDS OFFENSE	265	211
Punts	6	11
Yards punted	240	348
Punting average	40.0	31.6
Fumbles	3	4
Fumbles lost	2	2
Penalties	8	8
Yards penalized	70	50
TD rushing	3	1
TD passing	0	0
TD others	2	0
TOTAL TOUCHDOWNS	5	1
PAT kicks	4/5	1/1
PAT run & pass	0/0	0/0
Field goals	1/2	1/1
Safeties	0	0
TOTAL POINTS	37	10

SCORING	TD	R	P	K	FG	PTS
Baines	2	0	0	0	0	12
Worrell	0	0	0	4/5	1/2	7
McBurrows	1	0	0	0	0	6
Mullins	1	0	0	0	0	6
Strauss	1	0	0	0	0	6

RUSHING	TC	YG	YL	NET	AVG.
Strauss	9	67	1	66	7.3
McBurrows	12	38	1	37	3.1
Gabriel	9	37	2	35	3.9
Buzzard	12	39	6	33	2.8
Baines	3	16	0	16	5.3
Mullins	3	5	7	-2	-0.7
Brum	2	0	3	-3	-1.5

PASSING	ATT	COM	PCT.	INT	YDS.	TD
Mullins	10	5	.500	1	83	0
Brum	2	0	.000	0	0	0

TOT. OFF.	PLAYS	YDS RUSH	YDS PASS	TOTAL
Mullins	13	-2	83	81
Strauss	9	66	---	66
McBurrows	12	37	---	37
Gabriel	9	35	---	35
Buzzard	12	33	---	33
Baines	3	16	---	16
Brum	4	-3	0	-3

RECEIVING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD
Luis	3	35	11.7	0
Baines	1	29	29.0	0
Kelly	1	19	19.0	0

KO RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD
Buzzard	2	39	19.5	0
Baines	1	61	61.0	0

PUNT RETURNS	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	TD
Baines	4	119	29.8	2

PUNTING	NO.	YDS.	AVG.	BLKD
Howard	6	240	40.0	0

NEXT GAME: U of South Dakota at Vermillion,  
Sept. 21, 6:30 p.m. MDT